

In the Specification:

Please amend paragraph 0002 of the specification as follows:

[0002] Patent application Serial No. 10/390,346 entitled "Fuel Storage Tank Leak Prevention and Detection System and Method," filed on March 17, 2003, now U.S. Patent No. 6,834,534, and including one of the same inventors of the present application, is related to the present application and is also incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.

Please amend paragraph 0042 of the specification as follows:

[0042] The vacuum generator 100 may be a separate dedicated vacuum generating source or may be a vacuum generated by the STP 30. If the vacuum generated in the interstitial space 76 is generated by the STP 30, one method may be to use a siphon system in the STP 30 to create a vacuum level in the interstitial space 76, such as the siphon system described in U.S. Patent No. 6,223,765, assigned to Marley Pump Company and incorporated herein by reference in its entirety. Another method is to direct some of the vacuum generated by the STP 30 from inside the boom 42 to the outer annular space 58. The present invention is not limited to any particular method or source of generating a vacuum level in the interstitial space 76.